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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Jawahar M. Gidwani
 U.S. Serial No.: 09/759,962
 Filed: January 12, 2001
 For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR ANALYZING STRUCTURES
 SUBJECTED TO CATASTROPHIC EVENTS
 Examiner: Thomas K. Pham
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 Confirmation No.: 1684
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 Commissioner for Patents
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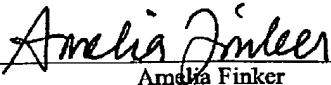
This reply is filed to respond to the Office Action dated May 5, 2004, the time for responding having been extended for three months. Please reconsider the application in view of the remarks set forth below.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 7.

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